



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota's continuing efforts to address the critical issues of life safety, energy efficiency, water conservation, economic well-being, and sustainability in the built environment that affect our citizens, both in everyday life and in times of natural disaster, give us confidence that our structures are safe and sound; and
- WHEREAS: Our confidence is achieved through the devotion of vigilant guardians of building safety and fire prevention officials represented by the Association of Minnesota Building Officials, the Fire Marshals Association of Minnesota, and the 10K Lakes Chapter of the International Code Council; architects; engineers; builders; tradespeople; and laborers and others in the construction industry who work year-round to ensure the safe construction of buildings; and
- WHEREAS: These guardians develop and implement the highest-quality codes to protect Minnesota residents in buildings where we live, learn, work, and play; and
- WHEREAS: Building Safety Month is sponsored by the International Code Council and International Code Council Foundation to remind the public about the critical role of Minnesota's guardians of public safety, our code officials, who assure us of safe, efficient, and livable buildings; and
- WHEREAS: The theme for Building Safety Month 2013, "Building Safety Month: Code Officials Keep You Safe," encourages awareness of the importance of building safety and suggests appropriate steps everyone can take to ensure the places where we live, learn, work, worship, and play are safe and sustainable, and recognizes that countless lives have been saved due to the implementation of safety codes by local and state agencies; and
- WHEREAS: Each year, in observance of Building Safety Month, Minnesota residents are asked to consider projects to improve building safety and sustainability at home and in their communities, and acknowledge the essential service provided by our building safety and fire prevention officials in protecting lives and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2013, as:

## BUILDING SAFETY MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May.

  
GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE